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September 17, 2010

Mr. Douglas Bosco
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California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1100
Oakland, CA 94612

Subject: Letter of Support for the Bay Area Open Space Council

Dear Mr. Bosco:

As General Manager of the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District, I strongly endorse the Bay Area Open Space Council's grant request to the California Coastal Conservancy. We have worked with the Open Space Council for many years and can attest to the professionalism they bring to the unique and critical services they provide.

The Bay Area Open Space Council is a collaborative of sixty member organizations actively involved in permanently protecting and stewarding important parks, trails and agricultural lands in the San Francisco Bay Area. They have the proven ability to convene diverse groups, gather information and disseminate relevant reports and create useful tools for land conservation professionals. Indeed, they are recognized by their peers as the regional leader for the land conservation community.

The grant proposal submitted to you by the Council will advance the Bay Area Conservancy Program in significant and meaningful ways. For example, the proposal includes projects that provide cutting-edge technical assistance to the land conservation community. It incorporates climate change into the Council's programs, and it furthers the natural resource and recreational goals of the Bay Area Conservancy Program.

As a member and partner in the mission of the Bay Area Open Space Council, the Midpeninsula Regional Open Space District encourages your consideration of this project. We believe it will provide an important step forward in land and water conservation for the Bay Area.

Thank you for your continued support of efforts to protect, restore and enhance the natural resources in the San Francisco Bay Region.

Sincerely,

Stephen E. Abbors
General Manager



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Dear Mr. Bosco:

As Executive Director of Save Mount Diablo, I strongly endorse the Bay Area Open Space Council's grant request to the California Coastal Conservancy. We have worked with the Open Space Council for many years and can attest to the professionalism they bring to the unique and critical services they provide.

The Bay Area Open Space Council is a collaborative of sixty member organizations actively involved in permanently protecting and stewarding important parks, trails and agricultural lands in the San Francisco Bay Area. They have a distinguished ability to convene diverse groups, gather information and disseminate relevant reports and create useful tools to land conservation professionals. Indeed, they are recognized by their peers as the regional leader for the Bay Area land conservation community.

The grant proposal submitted to you by the Bay Area Open Space Council will advance the Bay Area Conservancy Program in significant and meaningful ways. The proposal includes projects that provide cutting-edge technical assistance to the land conservation community, that incorporate climate change into the Council's programs, and that further the natural resource and recreational goals of the Bay Area Conservancy Program.

As a member and partner in the mission of the Bay Area Open Space Council, Save Mount Diablo encourages your consideration of this project. We believe it will provide an important step forward in land and water conservation for the Bay Area.

Thank you for your continued support of efforts to protect, restore and enhance the natural resources in the San Francisco Bay Region.

Sincerely,

Ronald Brown
Executive Director



September 20, 2010

Mr. Douglas Bosco
Chair
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1100
Oakland, CA 94612

Subject: Letter of Support for the Bay Area Open Space Council

Dear Mr. Bosco:

As Executive Director of the Bay Area Ridge Trail Council, I heartily endorse the Bay Area Open Space Council's grant request to the California Coastal Conservancy. We have worked with the Open Space Council since their founding and can attest to the professionalism they bring to the unique and critical services they provide.

The Bay Area Open Space Council is a collaborative of sixty member organizations actively involved in permanently protecting and stewarding important parks, trails and agricultural lands in the San Francisco Bay Area. They have a proven ability to convene diverse groups, gather information and disseminate relevant reports and create useful tools to land conservation professionals. Indeed, they stand out as a leader in the land conservation community – always innovative, inclusive and comprehensive and often thought-provoking and inspirational.

The grant proposal submitted to you by the Bay Area Open Space Council will advance the Bay Area Conservancy Program in significant and meaningful ways. The proposal includes projects that provide cutting-edge technical assistance to the land conservation community, that incorporate climate change into the Council's programs, and that further the natural resource and recreational goals of the Bay Area Conservancy Program.

As a member and partner in the mission of the Bay Area Open Space Council, the Ridge Trail Council encourages your favorable consideration. We believe it will provide an important step forward in land and water conservation for the Bay Area.

Thank you for your continued support of efforts to protect, restore and enhance the natural resources in the San Francisco Bay Region.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Janet McBride".

Janet McBride, Executive Director





September 21, 2010

Mr. Douglas Bosco
Chairman
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1100
Oakland, CA 94612

Subject: Letter of Support for the Bay Area Open Space Council

Dear Mr. Bosco:

The East Bay Regional Park District strongly supports the Bay Area Open Space Council's grant request to the California Coastal Conservancy. We have worked with the Open Space Council for many years and can attest to the professionalism they bring and services they provide. The Park District is working with the Open Space Council on the Critical Linkages, Climate Change and Trails and Transit projects that would receive funding through this grant.

The Bay Area Open Space Council is a sixty member organization actively involved in protecting and stewarding important parks, trails and agricultural lands in the San Francisco Bay Area. They have a distinguished ability to convene diverse groups, gather information and disseminate relevant reports and create useful tools to land conservation professionals. Indeed, they are recognized by their peers as a regional leader for the land conservation community.

The grant proposal by the Bay Area Open Space Council will advance the Bay Area Conservancy Program in significant and meaningful ways. The proposal includes projects that provide cutting-edge technical assistance to the land conservation community, that incorporate climate change into the Council's programs, and that further the natural resource and recreational goals of the Bay Area Conservancy Program.

As a member and partner in the mission of the Bay Area Open Space Council, the East Bay Regional Park District encourages your consideration of this project. We believe it will provide an important step forward in land and water conservation for the Bay Area. Thank you for your continued support of efforts to protect, restore and enhance the natural resources in the San Francisco Bay Region.

Sincerely,

Pat O'Brien
General Manager

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Chairman
California Coastal Conservancy
1330 Broadway, Suite 1100
Oakland, CA 94612

Subject: Letter of Support for the Bay Area Open Space Council

Dear Mr. Bosco:

As General Manager for the Napa County Regional Park and Open Space District, I am pleased to support the Bay Area Open Space Council's grant request to the Coastal Conservancy. Since our formation in 2006, our district has greatly benefited from the work of the Open Space Council.

As a new district, the information sharing and networking provided by the Council has been particularly useful. Through the Council we have been able to tap the expertise of other county and regional park districts on every aspect of acquiring, restoring and stewarding parks and open space lands, which has made us much more effective and efficient than would otherwise have been the case.

The Council has been instrumental in advancing our collective understanding of the unique habitats of the Bay Area—which is invaluable in helping us prioritize our land conservation efforts. It has also been a leader in linking the Bay Area's diverse communities to our open space lands, though such projects as Transit to Trails.

I strongly encourage your favorable consideration of this project. We believe it will provide an important step forward in land and water conservation for the Bay Area.

Thank you for your continued support of efforts to protect, restore and enhance the natural resources in the San Francisco Bay Region.

Sincerely,

John Woodbury
General Manager

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